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SECTION 1

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

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GOVERNMENT

Directives

1. Military Government Directive No. 13, "Maximum Price List No. 5", issued 28 February 1949, effective 1 March 1949, establishes new maximum prices on imported foods, and provides that such foods will be sold without sales tax. At the time of the price raise it was announced by Military Government that prices would be lowered at such time as free market prices were lowered. This was accomplished in February and Military Government prices were lowered to equal 50 percent of the original free market price on locally produced foods.

Military Government Directive No. 14, "Food for Patients in Institutions", issued and effective on 21 March 1949, provides for prices at which imported foods will be sold to institutions such as hospitals, orphanages, schools, etc.

2. Northern Ryukyus Military Government Directive No. 1949-3, "Removal of Wage Restrictions", issued 22 February 1949, effective 1 February 1949, provides for removal of wage ceilings on wages received by all workers except those employed by military agencies or a contractor for military agencies.

Northern Ryukyus Military Government Directive No. 1949-4, "Ships Confiscated by Military Government Provost Court", issued and effective on 14 March 1949, provides for the confiscation of two ships. These ships were confiscated according to U.S. Naval Military Government Proclamation #3, "Exceptional Military Courts", Article 5, Section 4.

POLITICS

Assembly Resignation

3. Early in March the Okinawa Assembly submitted a joint resignation to the Deputy Chief of Staff. The Deputy Chief of Staff refused to accept this action and expressed his confidence in the assembly. He informed them that if they wished to submit individual resignations they would be considered. After several days of deliberation, the assembly decided that it would not resign. One of the factors leading to this decision was the better understanding of working relationship between the assembly and the Okinawa Civilian Administration.

Southern Ryukyus Political Parties

4. The Miyako Democratic Party, organized in May 1946, seem at present to be in a turmoil because of disagreements between the younger members of the party and some members of the assembly. The latter are accused by the younger party members of following policies of expediency instead of the platform pledges made during the last election. The appointed office holders also come in for much criticism as being more anxious to please their superiors than to plan and work for the benefit of all the people. It is predicted by some that these disagreements and dissatisfactions will result in the younger group forming a new party that will be popular island-wide. If a new party emerges it will attract many who have recently held aloof from politics.

The Miyako Socialist Party, organized in May 1947, virtually disintegrated after election because of the resignation of its Secretary-General, who had been the leader and moving spirit.

The Youth's Party, organized in Miyako in September 1947, also has been dormant since last election with little evident activity on the part of its members.

5. There were two parties on Yaeyama, the Democratic and the People's Party. Since some former active members of the latter party were elected to serve in the assembly and appointed to positions as heads of Yaeyama Provisional Government departments, they seem to have been absorbed into the Democratic Party, thus causing a considerable lessening of People's Party activities at present.

Election

6. The election for mayor of Tarama Village in Miyako, held on March 7, 1948, was invalidated by decision of the Court of Appeals on January 20, 1949, after evidence of fraudulent voting was uncovered. By-election was ordered for February 27. The candidates were both non-partisan, the former mayor and a farmer. The former mayor was elected with 1,042 votes, while the farmer received 896 votes. A total of 89 percent of the eligible voters cast ballots in this election.

Agitation for Mura Separation

7. Dissension has arisen in Yonagusuku Mura between those desiring a division of the mura and those wishing to retain the present status. The culmination of this argument occurred in February, when a group known as the Yakena Young Men's Association participated in near riotous action. In order to forestall any further trouble and to preserve peace and good order, Military Government ordered a full and complete investigation to fix responsibility.

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LEGAL

Civilian Courts

1. Civilian Courts on Okinawa tried 154 criminal cases in March. No civil cases were tried. A total of 127 cases was tried by the Magistrate Courts, and fines collected amounted to ¥ 20,838. Twelve persons were acquitted, 19 placed on probation and 115 persons were found guilty.

MAGISTRATE COURTS

Okinawa Gunto
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Theft of gov't property	28
Illegal possession of gov't property	8
Violation of curfew regulations	10
Violation of traffic regulations	10
Violation of medical regulations	1
Violation of forestry regulations	1
Violation of gun and powder regulations	1
Construction without building permit	17
Prostitution	12
Trespassing military installations	1
Pandering	3
Illegal purchase of gov't property	1
Accidental fire	4
Fraud	2
Illegal transportation of stolen goods	6
Illegal brewing of liquor	18
Intoxication	2
Escape	1
Bribery	1

A total of 27 criminal cases was tried by Circuit Courts, ¥ 1,400 in fines were collected, 6 of the 24 persons found guilty were placed on probation, Three persons were acquitted.

CIRCUIT COURT
Okinawa Gunto
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Theft of gov't property	13
Illegal possession of gov't property	1
Fraud	2
Violation of medical regulations	1
Bribery	3
Aborticide	6
Accidental injury	1

There were no cases tried in the Superior Court or in the Court of Appeals.

2. In the Northern Ryukyus Circuit Court a total of 17 criminal cases was tried, ¥ 2,300 in fines were collected, 9 persons were placed on probation and all persons were found guilty.

CIRCUIT COURT
Northern Ryukyus
Criminal Cases

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Trespassing	1
Injury	6
Theft	5
Gambling	2
Fraud	2
Violation of fishing regulations	1

Circuit Courts in the Northern Ryukyus tried 257 civil cases in March.

CIRCUIT COURT
Northern Ryukyus
Civil Cases

<u>Civil Actions</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Tort	7
Real Estate	29
Loan	21
Compromise	7
Domestic relations	3
Arbitration	7
Auction	1
Petition	182

No cases were tried in the Magistrate Court, Superior Court of Court of Appeals in the Northern Ryukyus in March.

3. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

Military Courts

4. Military Courts on Okinawa tried 280 cases. In the Superior Provost Court 96 cases were tried, 94 persons were found guilty, 18 were placed on probation and 2 were acquitted. A total of ¥ 38,500 in fines was collected and ¥ 6,180 confiscated.

SUPERIOR PROVOST COURT Okinawa Gunto

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Theft of gov't property	35
Illegal possession of gov't property	16
Violation of traffic regulations	1
Possession of arms and ammunition	10
Smuggling	20
Accidental injury	1
Illegal possession of military payment certificate	4
Burglary	2
Use of explosives for fishing	2
Prostitution	5

A total of 184 cases was tried in Summary Provost Court, 140 persons were found guilty, 45 were placed on probation, 44 were acquitted and ¥ 28,850 in fines were collected.

SUMMARY PROVOST COURT Okinawa Gunto

<u>Offense</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Theft of gov't property	54
Illegal possession of gov't property	11
Prostitution	17
Violation of traffic regulations	30
Trespassing in military installations	63
Pandering	4
Off limits violation	4
Purchase of gov't property	1

5. In the Northern Ryukyus no cases were tried in the Summary Provost Court. In the Superior Provost Court 36 cases were tried, all persons were found guilty, 34 were placed on probation and ¥ 31,000 in fines were collected. There were 2 cases of illegal

possession of firearms and 34 cases of smuggling.

Citizenship Claims

6. Three new claims to United States Citizenship were filed.

Workmen's Compensation Claims

7. The Workmen's Compensation Commission heard and approved 60 claims and awarded a total of ¥ 164,358 to claimants.

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LAW AND ORDER

8. A total of 472 arrests, including 48 juveniles, was made in Okinawa Gunto in February. There were 127 arrests in the Northern Ryukyus and 38 in the Southern Ryukyus.

ARRESTS February

Adults	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>Northern</u>	<u>Southern</u>
	<u>Gunto</u>	<u>Ryukyus</u>	<u>Ryukyus</u>
Murder	1	0	0
Assault and battery	5	1	0
Accidental homicide	0	1	0
Accidental injury	1	0	1
Intimidation	2	0	0
Malicious injury	0	0	5
Larceny and embezzlement	167	95	18
Fraud	8	0	1
Dealing in stolen goods	7	0	0
Illegal possession of gov't property	44	0	0
Illegal possession of gov't currency	1	0	0
Illegal possession of firearms and explosives	2	1	11
Gambling	4	3	0
Violation of traffic regulations	111	0	2
Violation of curfew regulations	13	0	0
Violation of medical regulations	1	0	0

Violation of travel regulations	6	0	0
Violation of ceiling prices	0	1	0
Prostitution, etc.	44	0	0
Trespassing	5	5	0
Lepers apprehended	2	0	0
Others	0	20	0

Juveniles

Okinawa Gunto

Larceny	45
Dealing in stolen goods	1
Illegal possession of U.S. property	1
Trespassing	1

PRISONS

9. Prison population on Okinawa shown in the table below is for March, prison populations for the Northern Ryukyus, Miyako and Yaeyama are for February.

PRISON POPULATION

Ryukyus

	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Juveniles</u>	<u>Total</u>
Okinawa Central Prison	345	45	55	445
Okinawa Branch Prisons	44	0	0	44
Northern Ryukyus Prison	88	6	4	98
Miyako Prison	21	3	0	24
Yaeyama Prison	13	0	2	15

Activities of Okinawan Prisoners

10. Construction has begun on a brick kiln at the old Naha Prison. When it is completed, which will probably be in June, the kiln will have a minimum output of 40,000 bricks per month.

11. During March the Central and Branch Prisons produced 6,749 pounds of food, which is about 30 percent of the food consumed during the month. Food production showed a decrease of 4,724 pounds from February. This is due to the fact that March is not a harvest month.

12. Manufacture of industrial products by the prisoners brought a sales value of ¥ 16,994. Prisoner laborers employed by Military Government and the Bucknerville Housing Area earned ¥ 25,000 in March. The fish catch, show repair and miscellaneous consignment work netted ¥ 44,255.85. A total of ¥ 4,440 was derived from the sale of 3 swine. Total revenue was ¥ 90,689.85.

ACCIDENTS

13. The 23 accidents reported in Okinawa Gunto resulted in 10 deaths. In the Northern Ryukyus 7 accidents resulted in 3 deaths. In the Southern Ryukyus there were 4 accidents with no deaths.

<u>Cause of Casualties</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
Explosives	5	1	2
Killed	3	1	0
Injured	3	0	0
Traffic	16	4	2
Killed	6	1	0
Injured	19	16	2
Poisonous alcohol	1	0	0
Killed	0	0	0
Injured	1	0	0
Miscellaneous	1	2	0
Killed	1	1	0
Injured	0	0	0

FIRE AND DISASTER

Fires

14. There were 17 fires on Okinawa in February resulting in ¥ 543,580 damage. In the Northern Ryukyus 5 fires caused ¥ 1,133,000 damage. Four fires in the Southern Ryukyus resulted in damage amounting to ¥ 197,750 and injuries to three persons. There were no deaths from fires in the Ryukyus.

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NATURAL RESOURCES

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AGRICULTURE

Food Production

1. Crops harvested in the Ryukyus are shown below in metric tons.

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u> March	<u>N. Ryukyus</u> February	<u>S. Ryukyus</u> February
Rice	0	0	0
Cereals	0	0	0
Soy beans	0	0	0
Vegetables	2,494	1,992	319
Sugar cane	0	0	2,238
Peanuts	0	0	0
Sweet potatoes	17,070	6,369	1,654
Other grains	55	0	0

Agriculture Supplies

2. In February 170,318 pounds of white seed potatoes were shipped from Okinawa to the Southern Ryukyus for distribution.

Livestock and Poultry

3. Livestock and poultry populations in the Ryukyus are shown in the following tables.

LIVESTOCK POPULATION

Okinawa Gunto

	February						March
	<u>Population</u>	<u>Births</u>	<u>Slaughtered</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Import</u>	<u>Export</u>	<u>Population</u>
Cattle	3,889	120	31	0	0	0	3,978
Horses	2,806	13	0	3	0	0	2,816
Swine	35,699	2,842	178	22	0	0	38,341
Goats	18,194	787	19	4	0	0	18,958
Rabbits	24,276	4,632	0	0	0	0	28,908
Poultry	88,910	4,797	100	0	0	0	93,707

Northern Ryukyus

	February						March
	<u>Population</u>	<u>Births</u>	<u>Slaughtered</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Import</u>	<u>Export</u>	<u>Population</u>
Cattle	14,501	338	191	41	0	0	14,607
Horses	3,087	29	10	7	0	0	3,099
Swine	25,577	1,453	1,102	83	0	0	25,845
Goats	25,988	585	431	52	0	0	26,090
Rabbits	7,479	1,056	847	0	0	0	7,688
Poultry	111,426	3,835	3,390	49	0	0	111,822

Southern Ryukyus

	January						February
	<u>Population</u>	<u>Births</u>	<u>Slaughtered</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Import</u>	<u>Export</u>	<u>Population</u>
Cattle	2,093	21	10	2	0	0	2,102
Horses	8,733	21	0	3	4	5	8,750
Swine	18,836	1,001	1,120	75	3	153	18,492
Goats	16,420	566	369	295	7	1	16,328
Rabbits	1,030	121	39	6	0	0	1,106
Poultry	34,468	1,006	744	0	0	0	34,720

FISHERIES

FISH CATCH - RYUKYUS (metric tons)

<u>Type</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
	<u>March</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>February</u>
Swordfish	3	0	18
Bonito	23	0	8
Mackerel	1	0	4
Red snapper	30	12	17
Gurukun	43	2	0

Shark	26	2	2
Sea bream	13	6	0
Flying fish	2	0	0
Squid & cuttlefish	3	0	1
Tuna	3	0	0
Octopus	6	0	2
Others	<u>209</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>29</u>
Totals	362	81	81

Other marine production for Okinawa totaled 4 metric tons in March. Southern Ryukyus reported one metric ton in February.

One metric ton of dried bonito was produced in Okinawa in March and one ton in the Southern Ryukyus in February.

Fishing Fleet

4. There were 120 powered boats and 1,260 non-powered boats in operation in Okinawa in March. In the Northern Ryukyus there were 64 powered boats and 1,023 non-powered boats in operation in February. The Southern Ryukyus reported 81 powered and 615 non-powered boats used for fishing in February. Figures of boats in operation include new boats registered during the month and boats that have been repaired and are back in operation.

5. Boats inoperable due to engine and hull repairs were: in Okinawa in March, 53 boats; in the Northern Ryukyus in February, 44 boats; in the Southern Ryukyus in February, 31 boats.

6. Seven new powered sampans and 11 military landing craft (replacements for unserviceable landing craft) were registered in Okinawa. There were none reported in the Northern Ryukyus or the Southern Ryukyus.

Okinawa Boatbuilding and Repair Yard

7. The Okinawa Boatbuilding and Repair Yard at Toguchi made the following repairs in March.

Hull repairs	14
Engine overhaul	26
Machine shop repair	49
Electric repair	16
Batteries recharged	88

In March the blacksmith shop produced 2,108 bolts of various sizes, 216 spikes and 62 miscellaneous items.

Supplies

8. The following supplies were received from the Civilian Supply Depot for use in Okinawa's fishing industry.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Freon gas, 150 lb. cylinder	cyl	9
Chisel, woodworkers' asst	ea	120
Level and plumb, carpenter	ea	30
Mallet, carpenter, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	ea	30
Stone, sharpener, unmounted	ea	50
Chisel, woodworker's, 2"	ea	30
Chisel, woodworker's, 3"	ea	30

Distribution of supplies sent to the Northern and Southern Ryukyus has not been completed due to lack of transportation. Report of distribution will be made in the April summation.

Ice Plants

9. The 15-ton ice plant at Toguchi, Okinawa, produced 287 short tons of ice in March for distribution to fishing associations. The Koniya Ice Plant in the Northern Ryukyus produced 39 short tons in February.

Petroleum Products for Fishing Industry

10. POL allotment and consumption for the Okinawan and Northern Ryukyus fishing industries is given below.

POL ALLOTMENT AND CONSUMPTION March

		<u>Okinawa G. a/</u>		<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	
	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Allotment</u>	<u>Consumed</u>	<u>Allotment</u>	<u>Consumed</u>
Gasoline	gal	5,500	2,705	530	530
Diesel	gal	115,000	88,890	2,597	2,597
SAE #30	gal	5,300	1,987	94	94
SAE #90	gal	53	53	0	0
Kerosene	gal	3,233	220	0	0
GP #1	lb	100	93	0	0

a/ The difference in POL allotment and consumption is due to POL being held in reserve until later in the season, when fish become more plentiful in Ryukyuan waters.

FORESTRY

11. Lumber and lumber products are shown in the table below.

FORESTRY PRODUCTION Ryukyus

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u> March	<u>N. Ryukyus</u> March	<u>S. Ryukyus</u> February
Lumber	bd ft	1,787,890 a/	351,960	56,234
Firewood	cu ft	22,300	36,420	266,689
Charcoal	lb	8,085	211,200	0

a/ 928,200 board feet were furnished the Agriculture Section and 859,690 board feet were furnished the Industries Section of Okinawa Civilian Administration.

Iriomote Timber and Logging Project

12. The Shirahama Sawmill on Iriomote cut 21,655 board feet of lumber and the Inaba sawmill cut 11,592 board feet. A total of 23,679 pounds of charcoal was produced.

The Inaba mill is a small one erected at Urauchi to cut lumber for miners' homes and timber for the Urauchi coal mines, which will be reopened. The mill started production in March.

MINING AND QUARRYING

13. Okinawa produced 6,800 cubic feet of sandstone in March. The Southern Ryukyus produced 44 metric tons of kasukao (limestone) and 6,598 cubic feet of sandstone in February.

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INDUSTRY

Food Processing

1. Food processing in the Ryukyus is shown in the table below. Decrease of the following products is due to: salt in the Southern Ryukyus, a shortage of fuel; miso on Okinawa, shortage of raw material; flour on Okinawa, decrease in demand; sake production in Okinawa, industry still in process of turnover from government to private enterprise; sake in the Southern Ryukyus, overproduction in December; starch in Southern Ryukyus, sweet potato production too low to warrant processing; rice cleaning on Okinawa, and in the Northern Ryukyus, decrease in contracts; tea on Okinawa, not harvest season. Increase of starch production on Okinawa due to large sweet potato crop.

FOOD PROCESSING - RYUKYUS

<u>Product</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u>	<u>N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
		<u>February</u>	<u>February</u>	<u>January</u>
Miso	lb	5,500	0	145
Shoyu	gal	1,140	238	232
Vermicelli	lb	14,000	0	0
Flour (milling)	lb	10,630	39,442	0
Rice (cleaning)	lb	392,746	544,698	0
Rice (milling)	lb	0	0	0
Starch	lb	62,433	0	0
Sake	gal	0	1,115	1,853
Salt	lb	71,070	111,202	10,950
Tea	lb	252	0	0

Metalworking

2. Production of metal works in the Ryukyus is shown in the table below. Decrease in farm tool repair in Okinawa is because of lessened demand.

METALWORKING - RYUKYUS

	<u>Okinawa G.</u> February	<u>N.Ryukyus</u> February	<u>S.Ryukyus</u> January
No. companies operating	35	132	61
No. employees	277	407	220
Farm tools (produced)	1,092	2,894	8,104
Farm tools (repaired)	16	0	6,338
Industrial tools (produced)	55	1,112	5,956
Industrial tools (repaired)	1,039	0	194
Hardware	4,984	0	12
Rice polishing machine	3	0	0
Household items			
Vermicelli machine	20	0	0
Tableware	20	290	450
Pots and pans	554	0	51
Miscellaneous items	151	0	304
Casting			
Tableware	620	0	28
Pots and pans	1,070	0	97
Other household items	18	350	3
Industrial tools	0	125	0
Tinworking			
Oil lamps	60	113	0
Buckets	100	36	0
Sprinkling cans	5	0	0
Tea kettles	0	35	0
Wash basins	0	50	0

Ceramics

3. Pottery production during February in Okinawa Gunto is shown in the table below. The overall production increase is due to the opening of a new pottery factory.

CERAMICS PRODUCTION - OKINAWA GUNTO February

For sale to Okinawans

Rice bowl	11,751
Tea bowl	1,596
Tea cup	1,525
Tea pot	229
Jar	2,477
Funeral urn	461

Grinding mortar	117
Tray (tea)	405

For sale through Gift Shops

Ash tray	898
Ornamental lion	23
Sake pot	175
Sake cup	410
Tea pot	117
Tea bowl	569
Flower vase	48
Flower pot	14

In the Northern Ryukyus during February, 350 tea cups, 50 tea pots, 25 grinding mortars, 500 electric insulators, and 750 mugs were produced. There was no ceramic production in the Southern Ryukyus in January.

Woodworking

4. Woodworking reported in the Ryukyus is shown below.

WOODWORKING - RYUKYUS

	<u>Okinawa G.</u> February	<u>N.Ryukyus</u> February	<u>S.Ryukyus</u> January
Companies reporting	52	26	31
Employees	512	159	120
School desk	100	0	85
School chair	115	0	85
Office desk	74	0	35
Office chair	27	0	13
Blackboard	0	0	0
Household furniture	127	67	708
Tiles, pails, basins	163	228	0
Geta (pair)	3,427	0	0
Cart (hand drawn)	55	0	0
Miscellaneous small items	447	0	135
Door	101	0	0
Mat-making machine	0	1	0
Tobacco cutting machine	0	2	0
Shingle (tsubo)	0	2,014	0
Abacus	0	24	0
Toys	0	480	0

Shoemaking and Repair

5. In Okinawa Gunto in February 13 shoemaking and repair shops employing 40 persons remade (changed large size into small)

221 pairs of shoes and repaired 707 pairs.

Woven Products

6. Woven products manufactured in Okinawa during February are shown below. In the Southern Ryukyus no production of woven articles was reported. The Northern Ryukyus reported production of 1,781 tatami straw mats and 7,405 feet of straw rope.

WOVEN PRODUCTS - OKINAWA GUNTO February

Panama hat	278
Work hat	1,642
Cigarette case	285
Handbag	73
Mat	73
Brief case (handbag style)	13
Placemat	115
Grass holder for drink- ing glass	140

Bamboo Products

7. The following bamboo products were manufactured in the Northern Ryukyus in February.

Dining table	15
Chair, folding	15
Bookshelf	15
Bed	7
Chair	0
Flower basket	50
Hand basket	200
Food basket	88
Toilet articles container	500
Bamboo luggage, large	8
Bamboo luggage, small	4
General utility basket	1,016

Miscellaneous Items

8. Production of miscellaneous items in the Northern Ryukyus during February is shown in the table below.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Hydrochloric acid	lb	10
Sliding screen paper	sht	2,400
Charcoal	lb	21,880
Newspapers	sht	58,000
Periodicals	ea	4,200

Chalk	doz	1,000
Umbrella (parasol)	ea	30
Incense stick	ea	7,000

Okinawan Gift Shop Sales

9. Gross sales of the Okinawa Gift Shops for the period 28 January through 27 February amounted to ¥ 72,615.

Building Materials

10. During February building material production in the Northern Ryukyus totaled 10,480 pieces of new type tile, 14,780 pounds of lime and 44,340 pounds of lime mortar. The Southern Ryukyus produced 116,178 pieces of native type tile in January. The increase is a result of excellent weather which afforded many drying days. Production of new type tile in Okinawa decreased due to accelerated production of brick.

BUILDING MATERIALS - OKINAWA GUNTO February

<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Okinawan tile	ea	95,000
New type tile	ea	7,000
Brick	ea	67,500
Lime	lb	20,000
Lime mortar	lb	65,000

Construction and Repair

11. Standard prefabricated houses constructed in Okinawa in March totaled 1,195. Other construction was: 2 quonsets to be used for a dispensary; 1 quonset remodeled for medicine distributing office; 1 quonset for library and 1 frame building with thatched roof. There was no construction in the Northern Ryukyus. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

12. On Okinawa in March approximately 9 1/3 miles on 3 new forest roads were constructed; 4 bridges, 2 culverts, 1 retaining wall, 1 roadside wall and 1/2 mile of road were repaired.

In the Northern Ryukyus 1 1/2 mile on 1 new road was completed and 2 1/2 miles of road were repaired. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

ELECTRIC POWER

13. Electric power consumed on Okinawa during March totaled 159,952 kilowatt hours with a revenue of ¥ 6,288.60. In the Nor-

thern Ryukyus 191,012 kilowatt hours were consumed and revenue collected totaled ¥ 230,235.90. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

ELECTRIC POWER CONSUMPTION - OKINAWA GUNTO
(kilowatt hours)

Prisons & police stations	5,889
Schools	2,904
Motor pools	2,062
Hospitals and dispensaries	36,448
Ration dumps	6,003
Industries and factories	64,028
Government offices	42,618

TRANSPORTATION

Water Transportation

14. Eleven Military Government vessels based at Okinawa were employed in the Ryukyus interisland distribution of civilian goods, heavy equipment, medical supplies, clothing and POL. Passengers carried numbered 577 in March.

INTERISLAND CARGO DISTRIBUTION
(measurement tons)

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Cargo</u>
Northern Ryukyus	750
Southern Ryukyus	570
Iriomote	45
Daitos	20
Okinawa Gunto	732
Total	2,117

The LST 610 off-loaded 48,000 gallons of bulk diesel oil in the Northern Ryukyus, 55,142 gallons in the Southern Ryukyus and 4,950 gallons in Iriomote.

15. The FS-392, which has been aground at Kubasaki, Okinawa, since October, was refloated on 21 March, and departed Okinawa 22 March under tow of TP-130 for drydock at Kobe, Japan. The FS-257, under tow of TP-104, also departed Okinawa 22 March for Kobe, Japan, for drydocking and repair.

16. The LST-618, which has been in Kobe for drydocking, returned to Okinawa on 23 March. This vessel will be placed on opera-

tional runs after inventory and inspection are made. There were 8 Military Government vessels inoperative during March, 4 of which were in drydock at Kobe.

17. There were 2 provisional government vessels in operation in the Northern Ryukyus. Four trips were made carrying 1,079 measurement tons of cargo and 1,442 passengers with a net income of ¥ 41,636.10. Two LCM's are inoperative due to unserviceability of engines and hulls, causing an operational loss of ¥ 4,536.80. Two confiscated vessels were operated there with a net income of ¥ 34,601.

18. In the Southern Ryukyus 31 Provisional Government vessels made 157 trips, carrying a cargo of 215 measurement tons and 4,646 passengers with a total income of ¥ 540,560. Eight confiscated vessels were in operation, bringing in a revenue of ¥ 52,560.

Land Transportation

19. The Okinawa Bus Company carried 63,122 passengers during March and collected ¥ 318,696.50 in fares.

20. A total of 22 vehicles were repaired in the Okinawan higher echelon maintenance shop at Machinato in March.

21. Vehicles in use in the Ryukyus in March are shown in the table below. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

VEHICLES IN USE March

<u>Type</u>	<u>Okinawa G.</u>	<u>N.Ryukyus</u>	<u>S.Ryukyus</u>
2½ T trucks	236	84	-
1½ T & 3/4 T trucks	78	3	-
¼ T trucks	109	1	-
Miscellaneous	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>	-
Total	431	91	-

22. Approximately 45,243 short tons of cargo were hauled by truck in Okinawa Gunto, and 1,633 short tons were hauled in the Northern Ryukyus. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

CARGO HAULED BY TRUCK (short tons) March

	<u>Okinawa G.</u>	<u>N.Ryukyus</u>	<u>S.Ryukyus</u>
Water transportation	6,240	0	-

Agriculture	2,782	126	-
Commerce	555	62	-
Fisheries	553	0	-
Industry	386	0	-
Rations, clothing, POL	25,908	632	-
Medical supplies	406	0	-
Public works			
Construction material	3,870	89	-
Road maintenance	2,880	104	-
Import and Export	70	4	-
Education supplies	550	0	-
Baggage for repatriation	293	612	-
Miscellaneous	930	4	-

23. In Okinawa 341 passengers were carried by truck in the repatriation and resettlement program. In the Northern Ryukyus 9,389 passengers were carried by truck bringing in a revenue of ¥ 27,282. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

COMMUNICATIONS

Postal Communications

24. Postal deliveries in the Ryukyus are shown in the table below.

MAIL DELIVERIES - RYUKYUS

March

Domestic

<u>Origin</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Ordinary</u>	<u>Parcels</u>
Okinawa Gunto	Miyako Retto	184	1
Okinawa Gunto	Yaeyama Retto	247	1
Okinawa Gunto	Northern Ryukyus	192	4
Okinawa Gunto	Okinawa Gunto	16,886	145
Northern Ryukyus	Okinawa Gunto	252	0
Northern Ryukyus	Miyako Retto	9	0
Northern Ryukyus	Yaeyama Retto	4	0
Northern Ryukyus	Northern Ryukyus	111,662 a/	550 a/
Miyako Retto	Okinawa Gunto	255	0
Miyako Retto	Northern Ryukyus	4	0
Miyako Retto	Yaeyama Retto	-	-
Miyako Retto	Miyako Retto	-	-
Yaeyama Retto	Okinawa Gunto	389	0
Yaeyama Retto	Northern Ryukyus	5	0

Yaeyama Retto	Miyako Retto	-	-
Yaeyama Retto	Yaeyama Retto	-	-

International

<u>Origin</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Airmail</u>	<u>Ordinary</u>	<u>Parcels</u>
Okinawa Gunto	Foreign countries	5,657	740	0
Miyako Retto	Foreign countries	45	82	0
Yaeyama Retto	Foreign countries	44	67	0
Northern Ryukyus	Foreign countries	1,142	1,363	0
Foreign countries	Okinawa Gunto	6,540	2,003	14,253
Foreign countries	Miyako Retto	52	191	0
Foreign countries	Yaeyama Retto	51	618	0
Foreign countries	Northern Ryukyus	442	230	30

a/ February figures.

25. Postal revenue in Okinawa in March totaled ¥ 90,334. In the Northern Ryukyus in February the postal revenue was ¥ 108,787.20. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

Telephone and Telegraph

26. An average of 1,946 local telephone calls was completed daily by exchanges in Okinawa Gunto in March. A total of 5,583 long distance calls was made. There were 205,115 local calls and 34,343 long distance calls made in the Northern Ryukyus in February. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

27. Telephone revenue during March in Okinawa Gunto totaled ¥ 65,904. Of this amount telephone rent was ¥ 41,114.70, toll charges were ¥ 19,019.20, subscription fees ¥ 5,700 and removing charges were ¥ 70. Increase reflects payment of all Okinawa Civilian Administration accounts by end of Fiscal year 1949.

28. The Nakijin, Okinawa, telephone exchange, tied into the wire net by a circuit from the Nago exchange, was opened in March.

29. In the Northern Ryukyus in February 8,468 telegrams were dispatched locally, 2,086 were dispatched to Japan and 1,993 were received from Japan. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

LABOR

30. During March 38,570 Okinawans were employed by agencies of the United States Government, 21,279 were employed by Okinawa Civilian Administration and 147,005 were employed in private enter-

prise. The total number of Okinawans gainfully employed was 206,854. In the Northern Ryukyus 106 persons were employed by agencies of the United States Government and the total number of persons gainfully employed was 128,807. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

31. Unemployed persons on Okinawa totaled 1,185 in March; in the Northern Ryukyus 3,343 persons were unemployed. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

INTERISLAND AND FOREIGN TRADE

32. Imports from Japan to Okinawa were 1,672 metric tons of superphosphate and 63 metric tons of miscellaneous PX surplus (purchased for distribution through Special Trade Stores). Rock phosphate exported from Okinawa totaled 2,850 metric tons. In warehouse awaiting shipment to Japan are 119 metric tons of shells, 5 metric tons of kaimiso (medicinal seaweed) and 7 metric tons of sotetsu leaves.

33. Interisland trade in March from the Southern Ryukyus to Okinawa consisted of 7,230 pounds of button shell.

RATIONING AND DISTRIBUTION

Subsistence

34. Of the subsistence consumed in the Ryukyus in March, 31 percent was imported and 69 percent was locally produced.

35. The following locally produced food was released for distribution in the Ryukyus in February.

INDIGENOUS FOOD DISTRIBUTION

(metric tons)

February

Sweet potatoes	17,012
Fish	382
Vegetables	4,419

Imported foods consisting of 3,000 metric tons of rice, 455 metric tons of flour, 155 metric tons of sugar and 460 metric tons of canned goods and dry provisions were distributed in the Ryukyus in March. Of this amount 322 metric tons of rice, 322 metric tons of flour and 81 metric tons of canned goods and dry provisions were distributed in the Northern Ryukyus. Miyako received 90 metric tons of rice, 90 metric tons of flour and 35 metric tons of canned goods and dry provisions.

36. A total of 20,053 metric tons of foodstuffs consisting

of 69,741,151,491 calories was on hand at the Central Subsistence Warehouse, Tengan, on 31 March. The foodstuffs are broken down as follows.

<u>Foodstuff</u>	<u>Calories</u>	<u>M/tons</u>	<u>Days on Hand</u>
Starch	55,194,838,986	15,830	148
Protein	5,959,104,174	1,707	77
Sugar	6,693,652,103	1,873	610
Fat & Oil	1,302,902,968	148	67
Milk	680,653,260	138	64
Salt	-	125	11
Item with no caloric value	-	232	-

There is an average of 140 days on hand in all types of foodstuffs. This is based on 35 percent issue of requirements to Okinawa, 25 percent to the Northern Ryukyus and 21 percent to Miyako.

Trade Goods

37. Trade goods amounting to 274 metric tons were distributed throughout the Ryukyus in March. Trade goods distributed in February totaled 293 metric tons.

Petroleum. Oil and Lubricants

38. Totals of 866,141 gallons of POL and 6,240 pounds of grease were distributed in March.

POL ISSUES March

<u>Receiver</u>	<u>Mogas(gal)</u>	<u>Diesel(gal)</u>	<u>Kerosene(gal)</u>	<u>Lub Oil (gal)</u>	<u>Grease(lb)</u>
Mil. Supply	37,060	27,952	1,696	2,173	1,050
Okinawa G.	75,570	207,270	22,048	13,624	1,390
Motor Trans.	114,995	1,320	689	6,943	3,000
Water Trans.	7,700	186,300	901	9,805	200
N. Ryukyus	18,700	44,000	6,201	3,286	400
S. Ryukyus	12,490	50,000	2,120	3,127	150
Iriomote	4,950	4,950	165	106	50
Totals	271,465	521,792	33,820	39,064	6,240

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FINANCE

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FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Bank of the Ryukyus

1. At the end of the fiscal year 1949 (31 March) the Bank of the Ryukyus showed a net profit of ¥ 1,180,471.94. The Board of Directors voted to distribute approximately ¥ 305,000.00 in dividends to stockholders and place ¥ 875,000 in reserves.

Bank loans increased from 59 million yen on 31 January 1949 to 82 million yen on 31 March 1949. The average interest rate on loans to productive private enterprises was decreased from rates ranging from 7.3 to 10 percent to rates ranging from 5.5 to 7.3 percent.

Postal Savings System

2. The Postal Savings Systems in Miyako and Yaeyama, Southern Ryukyus, were reorganized to conform to the system set up for the Ryukyus.

Finance Companies

3. Two new interdependent finance companies, on Okinawa, were chartered as part of the plan to re-organize the finance companies in the Ryukyus on a sound basis.

TAXATION AND REVENUE

4. Incometax is the greatest single revenue producer of the provisional governments. The pay-as-you-go plan for collecting income taxes is in operation in the Ryukyus and taxes on salaries and wages are withheld by the employers. As a result of an extensive educational program this plan is operating successfully. The self assessment method of tax payment by those receiving income other than by salaries and wages has not been effective to date. It has become apparent that the average person knows very little about the provisional tax program. To combat this situation conferences were held with business and civic leaders to make the

people cognizant of their tax responsibilities. A series of explanatory newspaper articles are being prepared to further acquaint the public with the taxation system.

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PUBLIC HEALTH

Medical Care

1. Medical care in the Ryukyus is shown in the table below.

	<u>Okinawa G.</u> February	<u>N.Ryukyus</u> February	<u>S.Ryukyus</u> January
In patients	1,195	12	280
Out patients	21,103	58,262	2,825
Hospital capacity	1,545 <u>a/</u>	70	86

2. The Airaku-en Leper Colony, Okinawa Gunto, has a capacity for 900 patients; at present there are 743 patients. a/ In the Wakoen Leper Colony in the Northern Ryukyus there were 2 deaths and 4 new cases bringing the total to 328 patients. The Nanseien Leper Colony in Miyako has 245 patients. a/

a/ Corrected figures.

Disease Incidence

3. Disease incidence reported for the Ryukyus.

DISEASE INCIDENCE
February

- (1) Respiratory Diseases:

	<u>Okinawa G.</u> February	<u>N.Ryukyus</u> February	<u>S.Ryukyus</u> January
Scarlet Fever	0	0	0
Small Pox	0	0	0
Chicken Pox	14	46	6
Measles	1	31	2
German measles	136	0	0
Mumps	203	81	57
Influenza	0	155	752
Pneumonia, lobar	51	18	11
Pneumonia, broncho	224	110	248
Diphtheria	5	4	0
Whooping Cough	96	18	0
Tuberculosis, pulmonary	88	62	17
Tuberculosis, other	43	83	6
Epidemic meningitis	5	5	4

(2) Insect borne diseases reported in Okinawa by districts are shown below. There was no typhus reported in February. No incidence of Japanese "B" encephalitis was reported in March. Figures on cases of Japanese "B" encephalitis reported in the January and February Summations were incorrect. There was no incidence of that disease during those months.

<u>District</u>	<u>Malaria</u> Feb	<u>Filariasis</u> Feb
Hentona	144	5
Taira	557	1
Jinuza	32	0
Ishikawa	78	1
Maebaru	112	3
Koza	114	1
Naha	29	3
Chinen	160	0
Itoman	14	0
Total	740	14

In the Northern Ryukyus there were 10 cases of malaria, 52 cases of filariasis and 1 case of Japanese "B" encephalitis in February. The Southern Ryukyus reported 12 cases of malaria and 17 cases of filariasis in January.

(3) Intestinal Diseases

	<u>Okinawa G.</u> February	<u>N.Ryukyus</u> February	<u>S.Ryukyus</u> January
Para typhoid	0	0	0
Typhoid fever	0	0	0
Amoebic dysentery	0	94	32
Cholera	0	0	0

(4) Venereal Diseases

Syphilis	5	87	20
Gonorrhea	24	219	54
Chancroid	0	8	10
Lymphogranuloma, venereal	1	0	4

(5) Miscellaneous

Yaws	0	0	0
Leprosy	7	4	5
Tetanus	17	0	2
Trachoma	589	184	95
Scabies	127	82	0

Sanitation

4. The Military Government rodent control team completed work in the Ishikawa district, while work continues in the Maebaru and Koza districts. Other sanitation activities are shown below.

	<u>Okinawa G.</u> February	<u>N.Ryukyus</u> February	<u>S.Ryukyus</u> January
Drainage ditches constructed	396,405 ft	0	0
Drainage ditches serviced	1,937,238 ft	0	0
Penite expended	25 gal	0	3
DDT in oil expended	8,250 gal	0	0
Houses sprayed	22,459	29	0

The following supplies were distributed in the Ryukyus during March.

<u>Nomenclature</u>	<u>Okinwa</u>	<u>N.Ryukyus</u>	<u>S.Ryukyus</u>
DDT Concentrate (100%)	5,150 lb	0	1,750 lb
Diesel Oil	11,330 gal	0	3,630 gal
DDT Dust (10%)	12,200 lb	0	0
Sprayers	4 ea	0	0

Nursing Affairs

5. Graduation exercises for the first classes graduating under

the new three year nursing course were held at Nago Hospital, Central Civilian Hospital at Koza and Ginoza Hospitals. The 72 graduates will be engaged in leprosy, tuberculosis, psychiatric and clinical nursing.

Entrance examinations to schools of nursing were taken by 150 applicants from all over the Ryukyus for classes beginning in May.

Laboratory Service

6. The first meeting of the Okinawan Laboratory Technicians' Association was held at Koza Central Hospital on 5 March with representatives from 9 district hospitals present. A charter was drawn up and Officers were elected.

7. Medical personnel from the Northern Ryukyus attended two weeks refresher courses in X-ray, laboratory procedure and medical and surgical clinics, held at Koza Central Hospital on Okinawa.

Medical Supplies

8. The following supplies were received by Military Government for distribution to the native population.

<u>Source</u>	<u>Nomenclature</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Weight</u>
GARIOA	Promine & other med.	case	50	5,671 lb
"	Tetanus Antitoxin			
	20,000 units, 500s			50
"	Insecticide DDT Pdr.	case	3,305	161,945
"	New shipment of med.	case	170	14,167
LARA	Welfare supplies		767	52,710
RyCom Med. Depot	Salvage Med. Equip.			63,000
" " "	Outdated Med. Supplies			35,700
Naha 502 Salvage	Salvage Supplies			73,500
Public Works, MG	Building Materials			82,000
SPDC	Carpentry Tools			60
Naha Engrs. Depot	Building Materials			2,000
Yokohama 5th Med Dept.	Penicillin	btl	1,200	150

The following supplies were distributed in the Ryukyus during March.

<u>Nomenclature</u>	<u>Okinawa</u>	<u>G. N. Ryukyus</u>	<u>S. Ryukyus</u>
	lb	lb	lb
Surgical dressings	1,000	350	200
Drugs & Biologicals	59,000	12,100	14,400
Equipment	47,000	100	1,000
Narcotics & Alcohol	0	0	400
Welfare supplies	60,882	0	4,000
Sanitation supplies	75,600	400	23,650

Veterinary Activities

9. No epidemic diseases in cattle, horses or poultry appeared in the Ryukyus in March. On Okinawa 4 cases of swine cholera resulted in 1 death; 7 cases of swine erysipelas resulted in 2 deaths; 7 cases of swine plague caused 3 deaths. There were 3 cases of lumbar paralysis with no deaths.

In the Northern Ryukyus 28 cases of swine erysipelas resulted in 2 deaths and 27 cases of swine cholera caused 22 deaths. Eighteen cases of lumbar paralysis in goats caused 12 deaths. The Southern Ryukyus reported no epidemic diseases in animals.

In the Southern Ryukyus in March, 9 slaughtered hogs were condemned. No animals were condemned in Okinawa Gunto or the Northern Ryukyus.

WELFARE

10. In March there were 41,608 Okinawans receiving food relief on the new food certificate relief plan. The large number on relief is due to the change in economy brought about by rise in food prices in February, crop failures and movement of people from one site to another.

11. Winter clothing for the inmates of the Old People's Homes was purchased from Civilian Supply. Aluminum mess trays and cups were purchased from Civilian Supply for all orphanages and Old People's Homes.

12. LARA supplies received in March were 62,591 pounds of clothing, 17,250 pounds of lard, 1,879 pounds of medical supplies, 771 pounds of books, 27,755 pounds of soap, 3 sewing machines and 6,205 pounds of miscellaneous supplies.

LARA distributed clothing to 7,600 persons and lard to 9,500 persons on relief; 17,000 pounds of kits from American children to children of Okinawa; 771 pounds of pencils; 14,891 pounds of mimeograph paper; 3,300 pounds of fishing twine and 1,218 pounds of multi vitamins.

13. A school lunch program was initiated, serving 1,218 elementary school children on Ie Shima to help relieve food shortage in that area. Food was provided by the Welfare Section and LARA.

Social and Child Welfare

14. A total of 828 persons received institutional relief in the Ryukyus in March.

INSTITUTIONAL RELIEF ROLL

March

Orphanages

Old People's Homes

Koza	100	Koza	28
Hyakuna	95	Ishikawa	40
Taira	24	Shuri	25
Shuri	22	S.Ryukyus	145
Leper Colony	38		
S. Ryukyus Foster Homes	138	Total	238
N. Ryukyus Foster Homes	173		
Total	590		

RESETTLEMENT

15. Approximately 5,125 acres near Kin, Okinawa previously released for resettlement, were cancelled from resettlement. Of this area 3,000 acres will be available for intermittent cultivation.

REPATRIATION

16. There were 142 repatriates received on Okinawa from Japan, 99 were received in the Northern Ryukyus and 12 in the Southern Ryukyus. Twenty-eight repatriates from Okinawa and 35 from the Northern Ryukyus were sent to Japan.

VITAL STATISTICS

17. Population of the Ryukyus in January is given below. There were no stillbirths reported on Okinawa. Eight were reported in the Northern Ryukyus. No report was received from the Southern Ryukyus.

	Population on 31 Dec	Births	Gains	Deaths	Losses	Population on 31 Jan
Okinawa	555,623	1,485	130	479	60	556,699
Northern Ryukyus	223,888	636	180	271	39	224,394

Marriages and divorces were as follows:

Marriages Divorces

O	Okinawa	483	82
	Northern Ryukyus	177	19

RYUKYUAN PROPERTY CUSTODIAN ACTIVITIES

18. The following property was taken into custody and disposed of as shown below during March in Okinawa. No property was taken into custody in the Northern or Southern Ryukyus during the month.

	<u>Okinawa</u>		Inventory Adjustments to 1948 accounts a/		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>Items</u>	<u>Area(Tsubo)</u>	<u>Items</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Items</u>	<u>Area</u>
Property taken into						
Custody	296	93,399	12	69	308	93,468
Occupied by Military	0	0	0	0	0	0
Occupied by Prov. Govt.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not recommended for						
lease	113	20,867	0	0	113	20,867
Property leased (In-						
cludes only property						
taken into custody						
in March)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Available for lease	183	72,532	12	69	195	72,601

a/ Consisting of 11 items of personal property and one land parcel.

Of property taken into custody prior to March 1949, 29 leases were made, including 20 parcels of land. Rent collected during March amounted to ¥ 6,056.10. Sales totaled ¥ 550, making a total of ¥ 6,606.10 deposited to the Property Custodian account during March, Balance on hand at the end of the month totaled ¥ 145,220.55.